RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts

Organics Subcommittee Meeting

RecyclingWorks, Expanded Scope

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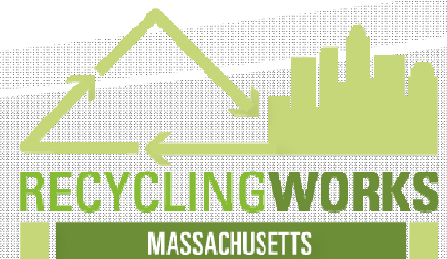

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RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts

- Helps businesses and institutions
  - Maximize waste diversion
  - Save money
  - Waste Ban Compliance
  - Customer/Employee satisfaction

- Funded by MassDEP, delivered under contract by the Center for EcoTechnology

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RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts

Services include:

- Online Resources

- Email and Phone Hotline

- Technical Assistance

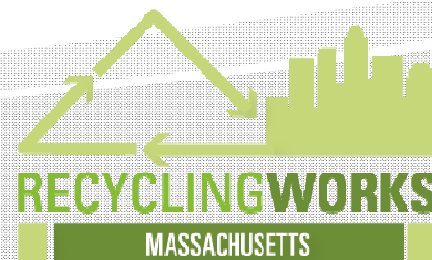- Events and Workshops

- WasteWise Program Administration

Compost Site Technical Assistance (TA)

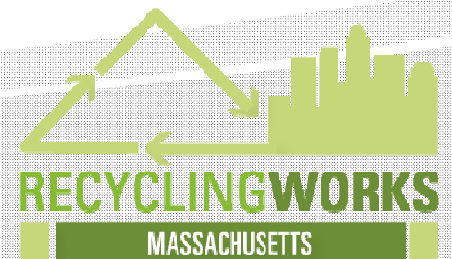# Package Service Providing Consultative Services

- To establish, improve or expand compost sites

- Includes leaf and yard waste sites that want to add food waste

Launch in ~6 Weeks

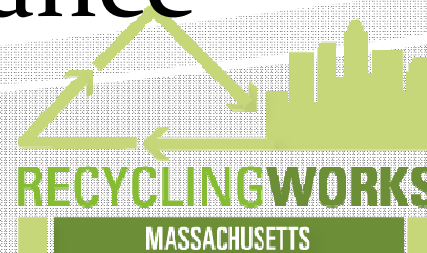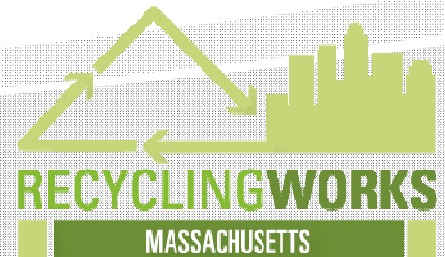- Connect with consultants

- Finalize process

Services Included:

- Outreach
- Site Visit
- Summary Report

*Leading to potential guidance for ongoing RecyclingWorks assistance

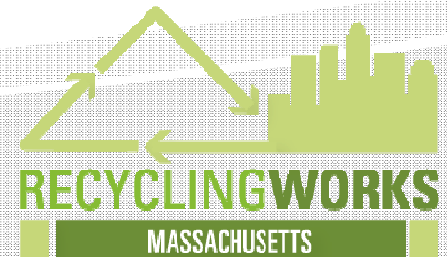RECYCLING**WORKS**
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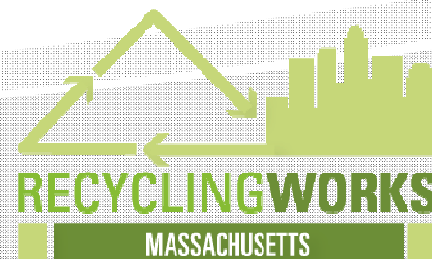
Up to 10 Sites Assisted by June 30

Food Donation Best Management Practices

- Similar approach to the 2013 creation of Food Waste Collection BMPs
- Engage stakeholders – MassDEP, EPA, health agents, food donation and rescue organizations
- Noticeable increase in RecyclingWorks inquiries regarding food donation
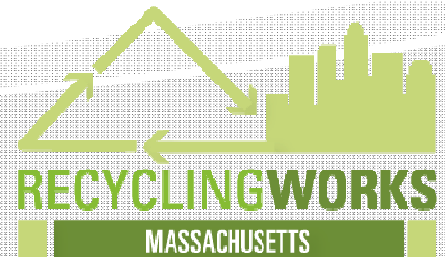- Participating with MA Food Systems Plan – additional feedback

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3-5 Stakeholder Meetings around the State
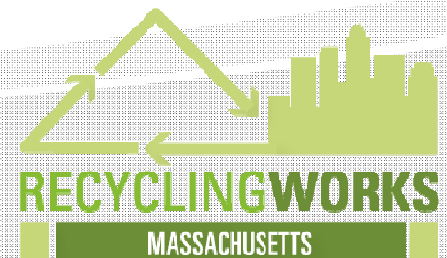
The Meetings will Focus On:

- Liability issues
- Tax implications
- Expiration dates
- Packaged and/or prepared foods
- Other topics that arise
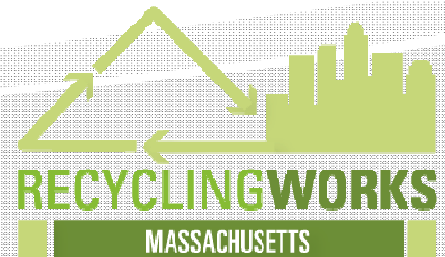
Harvard Law Class Assistance

- Research
- Fact Sheets

Best Management Practice Guidelines

- Trends

- Consensus

- Guidelines to be completed and posted to RecyclingWorks website by the Fall

Hauler Baseline

- Ballpark number of food waste stops

- Surveyed 14 known haulers

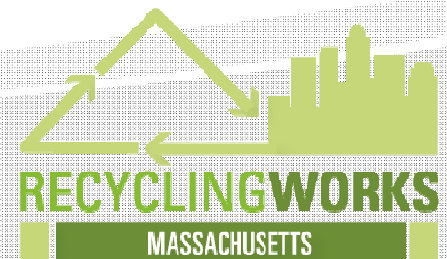- Compiled number of stops for haulers surveyed

FY 2014

About 1,400

FY 2015

Over 1,500

Additional Information

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